

TFDS-62-62
19 February 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director, NPIC

SUBJECT: [] Progress Report No. 21, dated 15 February 1962

1. The subject Progress Report indicates general satisfactory adherence to schedule by [] for all assigned Technical Directives and Tasks and Assignments. It also notes that the construction work by [] appears to be on schedule.

2. The Report next indicates that there are some 75 to 100 individual items that need attention by the Issuing Office. It is stated that these are set out in detail elsewhere in the Report and are also recapped in tabular form. These 75 to 100 items are not identified further and I cannot isolate them from the prose of the Report. [] should be asked to list these items which need our attention so that we can answer them.

3. The Report states further that "there are approximately eleven different submissions awaiting action by the I.O." It goes on to note that the eleven items are listed elsewhere, but I can't find these either. Mr. [] should be asked to list these also.

4. The items listed below represent actions proposed by [] over a period of time which we have not issued to them for a wide variety of reasons. Possibly these are some that [] refers to.

12 December 1961 - [] - Suggestion to set up a Univac 490 user representative committee. We have done this ourselves.

25 January 1962 [] - Nadir determination, analysis tasks and computer layout. They state that they need resolution of the computer layout to insure adequate facilities (air conditioning, power, etc.) I presume this is being supplied []

21 November 1961 - TWX, [] to PJD - re BOD July 62 and problems of installing Alvac in [] I don't think this is still a pending problem.

17 October 1961 - Draft Technical Directive on Technical Intelligence - SMJ does not want to proceed. PJD should be told this in unequivocal terms.

17 November 1961 - Draft Technical Directive on Special Furniture and Apparatus - I couldn't see a need for issuing, as next proposed effort would seem to be covered under other work or A & E. Should it be reconsidered at this time?

5. In summary, I believe that for us to proceed sensibly we should answer this Progress Report with a letter to [] as per the attached draft, over your signature. I honestly cannot follow PJD's rambling and disconnected prose to the point where the Report provides a positive indication for us of progress on any specific parts of the contract.

6. Further, I must again admit ignorance of many of the items listed at random throughout the Report. Particularly, I am extremely disturbed by the implication of the statement on page 12, not only as it applies there specifically, but as it applies to PJD's philosophy about this contract in general. (" . . . discussions of this working paper will be made at once [] unless otherwise directed by the I.O.") It appears imperative to obtain the accounting being worked on by [] and to impose some positive constraints and checks on []

Chief, TP & IS

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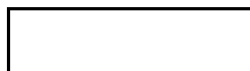
This is to formally acknowledge receipt of your Progress Report No. 21, dated 15 February 1962.

You state within the Report that numerous things, some 75 to 100 items, are not considered satisfactory as far as their scheduling is concerned. Since I find it impossible to isolate these particular items from the body of the Report, and these apparently need our prompt attention, I request that you submit a precise list of these by number from one through the total, so that we can provide an adequate answer for each.

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Further, you state that there are approximately 11 different submissions awaiting action by the I.O. After an intensive search of our files, we are unable to identify specifically what items are referred to here. In an effort to provide with unequivocal answers to these submissions so as not to hold these matters pending, I request that you list these 11 submissions by identifiable titles so that we can give you a positive or negative answer on each of them.

Your continued attempts at brevity and organization of the Progress Reports will be greatly appreciated.



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